

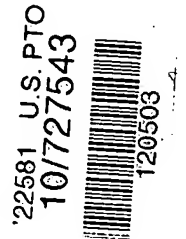


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Parent Application Art Unit: 3732 Parent Application Examiner: P. PHILOGENE

SIR: This is a request for filing a

☒ Continuation ☐ Continuation-in-Part ☐ Divisional Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending parent Application No. 10/092,916, filed March 8, 2002, titled DELIVERY METHOD FOR LEFT VENTRICULAR CONDUIT, now pending, which is a continuation of Application No. 09/796,590, filed March 2, 2001, now U.S. Patent No. 6,387,119, which is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 09/368,868, filed August 4, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,261,304, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application No. 09/150,181, filed September 10, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,196,230, the entire disclosures of each of which are incorporated herein by reference.

1. ☒ Enclosed is a complete copy of the parent application including the oath or Declaration and drawings, if any, as originally filed. I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of parent Application No. 10/092,916 as originally filed on March 8, 2002, which is incorporated herein by reference.
2. ☐ Enclosed is a substitute specification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.125. The undersigned hereby verifies that no new matter is added in this substitute specification.
3. ☐ Enclosed is a Request for Non-Publication of Application and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i).
4. ☒ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
5. ☒ The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the parent application as amended in the Preliminary Amendment filed herewith.

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Basic Application Filing Fee					\$770	\$ 770.00
	Number of Claims		Basic	Extra Claims		
Total Claims	1	-	20	0	x \$18	0.00
Independent Claims	1	-	3	0	x \$86	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s)					+\$290	0.00
Subtotal						\$ 770.00
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TOTAL APPLICATION FILING FEE						\$ 385.00

6. ☒ A check in the amount of \$385.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
7. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, or credit any overpayment during the pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.
8. ☐ New acceptable drawings are enclosed.
9. ☒ The parent application is assigned of record to: Percardia, Inc.
10. ☐ Priority of Application No. [Text], filed on [Text] in [Country] is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. A certified copy
- ☐ is enclosed or ☐ is on file in the parent application.
11. ☒ Small entity status is appropriate and applies to this application.
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13. ☒ The power appears in the original declaration of the parent application.
14. ☐ Since the power does not appear in the original declaration, a copy of the power in the parent application is enclosed.

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17. ☐ Also enclosed is \_\_\_\_\_

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION.** If any extension of time is necessary for the filing of this application, including any extension in parent Application No. 10/092,916, filed March 8, 2002, for the purpose of maintaining copendency between the parent application and this application, and such extension has not otherwise been requested, such an extension is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is authorized to charge necessary fees for such an extension to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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